

The Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez
The Honorable David W. Christel

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE**

NYLYSHA STARVION BELAFON
ARADON, CAREY ALLEN HAYES, A.H.,
a minor, A.L., a minor,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY and its
SNOHOMISH COUNTY SUPERIOR
COURT, and the SNOHOMISH COUNTY
VOLUNTEER GUARDIAN AD LITEM
PROGRAM; SUSAN WALKER and JOHN
DOE WALKER, individually and the
marital community; KIRSTEN HAUGEN
and JOHN DOE HAUGEN, individually and
the marital community; and, SARA DI
VITTORIO and JOHN DOE DI
VITTORIO, individually and the martial
community,

Defendants.

NO. 2:20-CV-01665-RSM-DWC

STIPULATION AND ORDER TO
FILE DECLARATION OF SUSAN
WALKER WITH ATTACHED
EXHIBITS UNDER SEAL

NOTE ON MOTION

CALENDAR: January 20, 2022

I. STIPULATION

The parties, through counsel of record, agree as follows:

1. Defendant Susan Walker will be bringing a motion for summary judgment in which she relies, in part, on documents which were filed in the underlying Snohomish County Superior Court dependency matter as Exhibits A-K. Because the content of Ms. Walker's declaration and the attached exhibits are related to the underlying dependency, the parties

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1 stipulate that they should be filed with the Court under seal. Accordingly, the parties hereby
2 jointly move the Court for an order permitting Ms. Walker's declaration with Exhibits A-K to
3 be filed under seal.

4 2. The parties have conferred as required by LCR 5(g)(3)(A). The conference
5 occurred telephonically and via e-mail with all parties' counsel on January 19, 2022. The parties
6 agree that because the documents attached to Ms. Walker's declaration were filed in the
7 underlying dependency and contain confidential information about the Plaintiffs, they need to
8 be filed under seal in relation to Defendant Walker's motion. Redaction of the parents' names
9 from the documents is insufficient to ensure confidentiality as they are already identified as the
10 parties involved in the dependency in the Complaint.

11 3. LCR 5.2(a) requires the redaction of "personal data identifies from all documents
12 filed with the court or use as exhibit." LCR 5.2(a)(2) specifically mandates redaction of personal
13 identifiers such as the names of minor children. Washington law likewise limits the release of
14 information obtained for use in child custody hearings. RCW 13.50.100. Consistent with these
15 requirements, the documents filed in the underlying dependency matter should be filed under
16 seal.

17 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

18 DATED this 20th day of January, 2022.

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ORDER

The Court has reviewed the Stipulation of the parties. Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the stipulation is APPROVED.

It is further ORDERED that Susan Walker's Declaration in Support of Her Renewed Motion for Summary Judgment along with Exhibits A-K, are hereby SEALED.

Dated this _____ day of January, 2022.

DAVID W. CHRISTEL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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I hereby certify that on January 20, 2022, I caused to be electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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